



Agenda Item #14.D

DATE: September 1, 2010

TO: Board Members

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SUBJECT: Community Based Education & Development College Vocational Nursing Program – Consideration of Request to Admit Students
(Director: Alice Sorrell – Thompson, Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, Private)

On May 20, 2010, the Board placed the Community Based Education & Development College Vocational Nursing Program on provisional accreditation for the one-year period from May 20, 2010, through May 31, 2010. Additionally, the Board denied the program's request to admit 30 students commencing August 2, 2010, to replace students completing program requirements July 25, 2010. The program was required to admit no further classes without prior Board approval. The Board took that action due to the program's noncompliance with Section 2530 (l) of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations.

On June 11, 2010, the program requested approval to admit new students. The Executive Officer deferred action on the program's request for consideration by the Board at the September 16, 2010 Board meeting. That action was based on the program's pass rate statistics and previous Board action to deny students with a 33% pass rate. The consultant notified the director of the decision per telephone.

The program requests approval to admit a full – time class of 30 students commencing August 9, 2010 only, to **replace** students completing course requirements on July 25, 2010. The proposed class is projected to complete program requirements November 12, 2011.

History of Prior Board Actions

- On September 10, 2004, the Executive Officer approved the Community Based Education and Development College's request to begin a vocational nursing program with an initial full – time class of 30 students on October 4, 2004, only; and approved the program curriculum for 1560 hours, including 582 theory and 978 clinical hours.
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Additionally, the Executive Officer approved the program's request to admit 60 students starting July 31, 2006, to replace students graduating July 20, 2006, only thereby increasing class size from 30 to 60 students per class. The projected completion date for the replacement class is September 28, 2007.

- On January 9, 2007, the Executive Officer approved the program's request to admit 60 students into a full – time class commencing January 15, 2007, with a projected completion date of March 21, 2008.
- On April 10, 2008, the Executive Officer approved the program's request to admit 10 students into a full-time class beginning on May 5, 2008, with a projected graduation date of August 18, 2009, thereby increasing frequency of admissions.
- On March 18, 2009, the program was notified that its annual average pass rate had fallen below 10 percentage points of the state annual average pass rate for the past four (4) quarters. The program was requested to submit a written plan for improving their NCLEX-PN® pass rates by April 2, 2009.
- On May 14, 2009, the program was notified that its annual average pass rate had fallen below 10 percentage points of the state annual average pass rate for the past five (5) quarters.
- On July 16, 2009, the program was notified that its annual average pass rate had fallen below 10 percentage points of the state annual average pass rate for the past six (6) quarters. The program was requested to submit documentation that verified that the elements of its plan of correction were being carried out and the effects of the employed interventions.
- **On August 10, 2009, a new program director was approved.**
- On September 8, 2009, the program was notified that its annual average pass rate had fallen below 10 percentage points of the state annual average pass rate for the past seven (7) quarters.
- On February 24, 2010, the program was notified that its annual average pass rate had fallen below 10 percentage points of the state annual average pass rate for the past eight (8) quarters.

- On April 26, 2010, the assigned consultant contacted the director relative to the admission of five (5) classes without prior Board approval.
- On April 27, 2010, the Board received electronic correspondence from the director relative to the program's understanding that ongoing admissions had been approved.
- On May 14, 2010, the Board received electronic correspondence from the director alleging approval by a prior consultant. A copy of a Board report dated April 10, 2008 was attached. The Board's official report dated April 10, 2010 does not reflect the same information as submitted by the director.
- On May 20, 2010, the Board placed the program on provisional accreditation for the one-year period from May 20, 2010, through May 31, 2011, and issued a notice to the program to identify specific areas of noncompliance and requirements for correction as referenced in Section 2526.1 (e) of the California Code of Regulations; required the program to show documented progress by submitting a follow-up report in ten (10) months to include a comprehensive analysis of the program, specific actions taken to improve program pass rates, timelines for expected results, and the effectiveness of corrective actions taken to address the following elements:
 - a. Current Student Enrollment.
 - b. Admission Criteria.
 - c. Screening and Selection Criteria.
 - d. Terminal Objectives.
 - e. Curriculum Objectives.
 - f. Instructional Plan.
 - g. Theory and Clinical Objectives for Each Course.
 - h. Lesson Plans for Each Course.
 - i. Textbooks.
 - j. Attendance Policy.
 - k. Remediation Policy.
 - l. Evaluations of Theory and Clinical Faculty.
 - m. Evaluations of Theory Presentations.
 - n. Evaluations of Clinical Rotations and Their Correlation to Theory Presentations.
 - o. Evaluation of Student Achievement.

Additionally, the program is required to program to comply with all accreditation standards in article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing at Business and Professions Code section 2880, and article 5 of the Board's regulations, commencing at California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 2525.

The Board denied the program's request to admit 30 students commencing August 2, 2010, to replace students completing program requirements July 25, 2010. The program was required to admit no further classes without prior Board approval.

- On June 11, 2010, the program submitted electronic correspondence requesting approval to admit students to replace the class graduating July 25, 2010.

- On June 22, 2010, the Board forwarded correspondence notifying the program of specific areas of noncompliance and requirements for correction as referenced in Section 2526.1 (e) of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations.
- On July 12, 2010, the Board received correspondence from the program with a copy of program correspondence dated June 10, 2010, current and projected enrollment information, information relative to faculty: student assignments, clinical rotations, and a FedEx shipment travel history.
- On July 28, 2010, the Board received notification per telephone that the program had mailed documents to the residence of President Vertido, stating the school had been unable to find another mailing address for the Board.
- On July 30, 2010, the Board received program correspondence dated July 26, 2010, sent to the residence of President Vertido, relative to a request to admit students July 26, 2010.
- On August 3, 2010, the director notified the Board that the number of students requested had been reduced to 30.
- On August 6, 2010, the Executive Officer deferred action on the program's request to admit students to the Board for consideration at the September 16, 2010 meeting. This decision was based on the program's pass rate statistics and previous Board action to deny students with a 33% pass rate. The consultant notified the director of the decision per telephone.
- On August 6, 2010, the Executive Officer was notified that the program administration had contacted President Vertido at his residence regarding the program's placement on the September 2010 agenda.
- On August 13, 2010, the Board forwarded correspondence to the director relative to contact with Board members.
- On August 19, 2010, the Board's legal counsel and the Supervising Nursing Education Consultant conducted a conference call with the program director, school DOE, and the school's legal counsel. The purpose of the call was to clarify the program's request for documents and achieve resolution.

Enrollment

Currently, the program requires prior Board approval for the admission of each class. The program offers a 63 – week full – time class of instruction, successful completion resulting in issuance of a diploma. Additionally, the program offers a 74 – week full – time class of instruction, successful completion resulting in an Associate of Arts degree. The pattern of admissions for current and proposed classes is seen in the enrollment table below.

The following table represents **projected** student enrollment based on current and proposed class starts and completions. The table indicates a **maximum enrollment of 136 students from April 2009 through August 2010.**

ENROLLMENT DATA				
CLASS DATES		#Students Admitted	#Students Current or Completed	Total Enrolled
Start	Complete			
4/09 (Unapproved - D)		40	32	32
8/09 (Unapproved - D)		37	33	32 + 33 = 65
10/09 (Unapproved - AA)		9	8	65 + 8 = 73
11/09 (Unapproved - D)		40	39	73 + 39 = 112
4/10 (Unapproved - D)		35	24	112 + 24 = 136
	7/10 (4/09 Class)		-30	136 - 30 = 106
8/10 (Proposed - D)		30		106 + 30 = 136

Licensing Examination Statistics

The following statistics, furnished by Pearson VUE, and published by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing as "Jurisdictional Summary of All First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdiction," for the period October 2007 through March 2010, specify the pass percentage rates for graduates of Community Based Education & Development College Vocational Nursing Program on the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical/Vocational Nurses (NCLEX-PN®).

NCLEX-PN® Licensure Examination Data						
Quarterly Statistics					Annual Statistics*	
Quarter	# Candidates	# Passed	% Passed	State Average Quarterly Pass Rate	Program Average Annual Pass Rate	State Average Annual Pass Rate
Oct - Dec 2007	1	1	100%	76%	63%	76%
Jan - Mar 2008	23	14	61%	75%	64%	75%
Apr - June 2008	11	3	27%	70%	51%	74%
July - Sep 2008	27	14	52%	74%	52%	74%
Oct - Dec 2008	21	7	33%	73%	46%	73%
Jan - Mar 2009	23	7	30%	70%	38%	72%
Apr - Jun 2009	21	8	38%	71%	39%	70%
July - Sep 2009	23	6	26%	74%	32%	72%
Oct - Dec 2009	20	6	30%	76%	31%	73%
Jan - Mar 2010	26	10	38%	76%	33%	74%
Apr - Jun 2010	27	10	37%	74%	33%	75%

*The Annual Pass Rate changes every quarter. It is calculated by dividing the number of candidates who passed during the current and previous three quarters by the number of candidates who tested during the same period.

Based on the most recent data available (April – June 2010), the program's average annual pass rate is 33%. The California average annual pass rate for graduates from accredited vocational nursing programs who took the NCLEX-PN® for the first time during the same period is 75%. The pass rate for the Community Based Education & Development College Vocational Nursing Program is 42 percentage points **below** the state average annual pass rate.

Faculty and Facilities

Section 2534(d) of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations states:

"For supervision of clinical experience, there shall be a maximum of 15 students for each instructor."

The total number of Board-approved faculty is eighteen (18), including the program director. Of that total, sixteen (16) instructors are available to teach in the clinical area.

Based on a maximum enrollment of 136 students, ten (10) instructors are needed. Therefore, the number of faculty is adequate for the current and proposed enrollment. Section 2534(b) of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations states:

"Schools shall have clinical facilities adequate as to number, type, and variety of patients treated, to provide clinical experience for all students in the areas specified by Section 2533. There must be available for student assignment, an adequate daily census of patients to afford a variety of clinical experiences consistent with competency-based objectives and theory being taught."

The program's clinical facilities are adequate as to type and variety of patients treated to enable current and proposed students to meet clinical objectives in accordance with Section 2534(b) of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. This information was verified by the consultant.

Other Considerations

On May 20, 2010, the Board placed the program on provisional accreditation for the one-year period from May 20, 2010, through May 31, 2011. That action was taken due to the performance of program graduates on the licensure examination. Additionally, the Board denied the program's request to admit 30 students commencing August 2, 2010, to replace students completing program requirements July 25, 2010. The program was required to admit no further classes without prior Board approval. (See Attachment A)

On June 11, 2010, the program submitted electronic correspondence requesting approval to admit a class of 40 students to replace students scheduled to graduate on July 25, 2010.

On June 22, 2010, the Board forwarded to the director a Notice of Change in Accreditation Status (see Attachment B).

On July 12, 2010, the Board received correspondence from the director dated July 7, 2010. A copy of program correspondence dated June 11, 2010, current and projected

enrollment information, information relative to faculty: student assignments, clinical rotations, and a FedEx shipment travel history were attached. (See Attachment C)

On July 28, 2010, the Board staff received notification per telephone that the program had mailed documents to the residence of the Board President, stating the program had been unable to locate another mailing address for the Board. On July 30, 2010, the Board received program correspondence dated July 26, 2010, sent to the residence of the Board President, relative to a request to admit students July 26, 2010. (See Attachment D)

On August 3, 2010, the assigned consultant spoke to the director relative to the program's request. The director was reminded of the Board's May 2010 decision. The director stated that the request was submitted in accordance with direction provided by the Board President and Executive Officer at the May 20, 2010 Board meeting. Subsequently, the director notified the Board that the number of students requested was reduced to 30.

On August 6, 2010, the Executive Officer deferred action on the program's request to admit students to the Board for consideration at the September 16, 2010 meeting. This decision was based on the program's pass rate statistics and the May 20, 2010 Board action to deny the program's request to admit students with a 31% pass rate.

On August 6, 2010, the consultant notified the director of the decision per telephone. Subsequently, the Executive Officer was notified that program administrators had attempted to contact the Board President per telephone at his residence, stating that the Board's actions had resulted in staff terminations and would close the program

On August 7, 2010, Board staff telephoned the director relative to the program's placement on the September 2010 agenda. A message was left requesting the director return the call.

On August 9, 2010, the director and School Director of Education (DOE) appeared at Board headquarters requesting a meeting with the Supervising Nursing Education Consultant (SNEC). The SNEC and NEC met with program representatives.

The DOE stated that the Board's denial of the program's request to admit a class would force the program to terminate faculty and that the program would lose clinical facilities. The DOE stated that she and the director had been told by the Board president and Executive Officer that additional classes would be approved upon the program's submission of a request with required documents.

Additionally, the DOE stated that the program must admit a class every 15 weeks for financial reasons. Further, she alleged discriminatory treatment by the Board stating that the program is being treated differently, and other programs are approved to continue admissions.

The SNEC advised program representatives of the Board's mandate to protect the health, safety, and welfare of consumers. Program representatives were reminded of the Board's decision and the rationale for that decision. Further, they were reminded that the Executive Officer had deferred action on the program's current request to the Board for consideration at the September 16, 2010 meeting and that the Board had made no decision to close the program.

Board representatives discussed critical program elements that may impact student achievement. Additionally, the possible utilization of unassigned program faculty to improve student achievement was discussed.

The DOE stated that a response to their request should have been received earlier, that the program had implemented changes in 2008, and that the full impact of those changes had not been observed to date. She related interventions previously reported to the Board. Additionally, she reported that the program had improved its pass rates on the licensure examination from 25% to 33%.

The SNEC advised that action on the program's request was consistent with the time frame required by existing regulations. Additionally, regulatory requirements set forth in California Code of Regulations Section 2530 (I), relative to program pass rates were reviewed.

The DOE requested to speak with the Executive Officer relative to the program's request to admit students.

The Executive Officer met with program representatives. Board requirements for all programs were stressed. Additionally, the Executive Officer reviewed the Board's concerns relative to the program's pass rates on the licensure examination. The Executive Officer advised that the program should direct all communications to Board Members to the Board's office.

Subsequently, the DOE and director requested a meeting with the Board's legal counsel. Reportedly, program representatives alleged they had been unable to obtain copies of Board meeting minutes to substantiate their claim that the program had been approved for ongoing admissions.

On August 13, 2010, correspondence was forwarded to the director relative to communications with Board members. The director was advised that Board members may not receive communications from programs prior to rendering an official decision. Such communication constitutes a violation of the Open Meeting Act and may result in the recusal of the Board member in voting relative to action on the program's request. (See Attachment E)

On August 19, 2010, the SNEC and legal counsel conducted a conference call with the program director, school DOE, and the school's legal counsel. The purpose of the call was to clarify the program's request and achieve resolution.

Subsequently, official minutes and agenda items were reviewed from all Board meetings, including May 9, 2008, September 12, 2008; November 21, 2008; February 20, 2009; May 22, 2009; October 7, 2009; February 18, 2010; and May 20, 2010. Action relative to the program was reported in minutes and agenda items for the May 9, 2008 Board meeting. Specifically, on Agenda Item #7B states, "The Executive Officer approved the program's request to admit 10 students into a full – time class beginning on May 5, 2008, with a projected graduation date of August 18, 2009, thereby increasing frequency of admissions." (See Attachments F and G) No further action was recorded relative to Community Based Education & Development Vocational Nursing Program.

Additionally, the Board's Information Technology Analyst researched the email string of communications with the prior consultant as provided by the program. The Board was unable to verify receipt.

In summary, the program reports that interventions were implemented to improve program pass rates; however, to date, program performance statistics do not evidence improvement. For the period January – March 2010, the program's average **quarterly** pass rate on the NCLEX-PN® was **38%**, while their average **annual** pass rate was **33%**. For the period April – June 2010, the program's **quarterly** pass rate on the NCLEX-PN® was **37%**, while their average **annual** pass rate was 33%. As such, the program's average annual pass rate is 42 percentage points below the state average annual pass rate.

Recommendations:

1. In accordance with the Board's May 20, 2010 decision, deny the Community Based Education & Development College Vocational Nursing Program's request to admit 30 students commencing August 9, 2010, to replace students completing program requirements July 25, 2010.

Rationale: The Board has serious concerns relative to the program's non – compliance with regulations relative to the admission of classes without prior Board approval and the program's low average annual pass rates. Given the program's low average annual pass rates, denial of the proposed class admissions will allow the program to complete a total analysis and implement corrective interventions to enhance student achievement.

2. Approve the program's admission of 15 students on September 20, 2010, with a projected graduation of November 20, 2011.

Rationale: Pursuant to the Notice of Change in Accreditation Status dated June 22, 2010, the program will be required to submit a follow – up report to include a comprehensive analysis of the program, specific actions taken to improve program pass rates, timelines for expected results, and the effectiveness of corrective actions taken to address the following elements:

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Additionally, the program is required to obtain Board approval prior to the admission of each class. The program was placed on the February 2011 Board agenda for reconsideration of its provisional accreditation status.

Attachment A – Official Board Agenda Item #14B, Community Based Education & Development College Vocational Nursing Program – Consideration of Placement on Provisional Accreditation, dated May 4, 2010.

Attachment B - Notice of Change in Accreditation Status dated June 22, 2010.

Attachment C - Program Correspondence Dated July 7, 2010

Attachment D – Program Correspondence dated July 26, 2010.

Attachment E – Board correspondence dated August 13, 2010.

Attachment F - Official Board Meeting Minutes dated May 9, 2008.

Attachment G – Official Agenda Item #7B, Report on Executive Officer's Decisions for Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technician Programs dated May 9, 2008.

ATTACHMENT A



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SUBJECT: Community Based Education & Development College Vocational Nursing Program – Consideration of Placement on Provisional Accreditation
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Community Based Education & Development College Vocational Nursing Program is presented to the Board for consideration of placement on provisional accreditation.

In accordance with Section 2526.1(c) of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations,

“The Board may place any program on provisional accreditation when a program does not meet all requirements as set forth in this chapter and in Section 2526...”

Section 2530(l) of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations states:

“The program shall maintain a yearly average minimum pass rate on the licensure examination that does not fall below 10 percentage points of the state average pass rate for first time candidates of accredited vocational nursing schools for the same period.

(1) Failure to maintain the required yearly average minimum pass rate for two years or eight consecutive quarters may be cause to place a program on provisional accreditation.”

The following table shows the variance of the program’s average annual pass rates from the state average annual pass rates of first time graduates of accredited vocational nursing programs for the past nine (9) quarters. This data substantiates the program’s noncompliance with Section 2530(l) of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations.

NCLEX-PN® Licensure Examination Pass Rates			
Quarter	State Annual Average Pass Rate	Program Annual Average Pass Rate	Variance from State Annual Average Pass Rate
Oct – Dec 2007	76%	63%	- 13
Jan – Mar 2008	75%	64%	- 11
Apr - Jun 2008	74%	51%	- 23
Jul - Sep 2008	74%	52%	- 22
Oct – Dec 2008	73%	46%	- 27
Jan – Mar 2009	72%	38%	- 34
Apr – Jun 2009	70%	39%	-31
Jul - Sep 2009	72%	32%	-40
Oct – Dec 2009	73%	31%	-42

The program requests Board approval to admit a class of 30 students commencing August 2, 2010, with a projected graduation of November 21, 2011. The proposed class would **replace** students completing program requirements July 25, 2010.

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Enrollment

Currently, the program requires prior Board approval for the admission of each class. The program offers a 63 – week full – time class of instruction, successful completion resulting in issuance of a diploma. Additionally, the program offers a 74 – week full – time class of instruction, successful completion resulting in an Associate of Arts degree. The pattern of admissions for current and proposed classes is seen in the enrollment table below.

The following table represents **projected** student enrollment based on current and proposed class starts and completions. The table indicates **a maximum enrollment of 140 students from April 2009 through August 2010.**

ENROLLMENT DATA				
CLASS DATES		#Students Admitted	#Students Current or Completed	Total Enrolled
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4/09 (Unapproved - D)		40	30	30
8/09 (Unapproved - D)		33	30	30 + 30 = 60
10/09 (Unapproved – AA)		9	7	60 + 7 = 67
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4/10 (Unapproved - D)		35	35	105 + 35 = 140
	7/10 (4/09 Class)		-30	140 - 30 = 110
8/10 (Proposed - D)			30	110 + 30 = 140

Licensing Examination Statistics

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Based on the most recent data available (October – December 2009), the program's average annual pass rate is 31%. The California average annual pass rate for graduates from accredited vocational nursing programs who took the NCLEX-PN® for the first time during the same period is 73%. The pass rate for the Community Based Education & Development College Vocational Nursing Program is 42 percentage points **below** the state average annual pass rate.

Faculty and Facilities

Section 2534(d) of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations states:

"For supervision of clinical experience, there shall be a maximum of 15 students for each instructor."

The total number of Board-approved faculty is seventeen (17), including the program director. Thirteen (13) instructors are available to teach in the clinical area. Based on a maximum enrollment of 140 students, ten (10) instructors are needed. Therefore, the number of faculty is adequate for the current and proposed enrollment.

Section 2534(b) of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations states:

"Schools shall have clinical facilities adequate as to number, type, and variety of patients treated, to provide clinical experience for all students in the areas specified by Section 2533. There must be available for student assignment, an adequate daily census of patients to afford a variety of clinical experiences consistent with competency-based objectives and theory being taught."

The program's clinical facilities are adequate as to type and variety of patients treated to enable current and proposed students to meet clinical objectives in accordance with Section 2534(b) of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. This information was verified by the consultant.

Other Considerations

As noted above, the program's average annual pass rate on the NCLEX-PN® is 42 percentage points below the state average annual pass rate. On December 12, 2008, the program submitted a plan for improving program pass rates.

As specified therein, the following interventions were implemented.

1. **Curriculum.** The number of theory hours was increased from 582 to 600 hours. The sequence of content was revised to better ensure students' progressive mastery of content. Critical thinking was integrated throughout the curriculum.

2. **Instructional Methods and Materials.** Presentations on critical thinking were added to faculty meetings. Instructors were required to implement role-play, case studies, and other methodologies into theory presentations to enhance student comprehension.

On August 10, 2009, the current program director was approved.

On February 24, 2010, the consultant notified the program that its annual average pass rate had fallen below 10 percentage points of the state annual average pass rate for the past eight (8) quarters. The program was requested to complete an analysis of all program elements and submit a written plan for improving their NCLEX-PN® pass rates. That plan was received April 14, 2010 with a revision submitted April 28, 2010 (see Attachment A).

As presented therein, the program's report addressed the following areas.

A. Revised Admission Criteria.

The program has revised its Admission Criteria. Effective with the next class, applicants for program admission will be required to meet the following criteria.

1. No less than 18 years of age.
2. High school graduation or equivalent thereof.
3. Complete the Assessment Technologies Institute (ATI) – CPAt with a minimum score of 40%.

B. Revised Curriculum.

The director is completing a thorough analysis of the modular curriculum. To date, the analysis of Module I has been completed. Based thereon, the sequence of theory content has been revised to include a foundation of Anatomy and Physiology. Revision of the remaining modules is in progress.

C. Revised Grading Policy.

Students are required to achieve a minimum score of 80% on all examinations. Additionally, a minimum grade point average of 80% is required.

D. Improved Identification of Students with Performance Deficits.

The program requires all students to complete a comprehensive final examination per module with a minimum score of 80%. Additionally, students are required to complete the following ATI Level Examinations.

1. Fundamentals of Nursing Practice.
2. Mental Health Nursing Practice.

3. Pharmacology of Nursing Practice.
4. Nutrition for Nursing.
5. Adult Medical – Surgical Nursing.
6. Maternal – Newborn Nursing.
7. Nursing Care of Children.
8. Leadership and Management for Nursing Practice.

While the program does not require a minimum score on the ATI Level Examinations for class progression, the information is used to assess students' grasp of critical nursing concepts.

E. Improved Monitoring of Student Academic Progress.

The director reports the development of an academic improvement program whereby students are provided early intervention for academic deficits. As presented, the program begins with a student's failure of any subject examination. The instructor and student develop an intensive remediation program with counseling, tutorials, and reevaluation.

Based on submitted information and the performance of program graduates on the NCLEX-PN® from October 2007 through December 2009, the following violations of the California Rules and Regulations are identified.

Section 2530 (k) states:

"The program shall have prior Board approval to increase the number of students per class and/or increase the frequency of admission of classes. Criteria to evaluate a school's request to increase the number of students per class and/or increase the frequency of class admissions include but are not limited to:

- (1) Sufficient program resources as specified in section 2530 (a).**
- (2) Adequacy of clinical experience as specified in section 2534.**
- (3) Licensure examination pass rates as specified in section 2530 (l).**

Violation #1: From November 2008 through April 2010, the program admitted six (6) classes without prior Board approval.

Correction: The assigned consultant informed the current director that the program was in violation of existing regulations in that prior Board approval had not been obtained for commencement of six (6) previous classes. The director stated her understanding that all prior classes had prior Board approval; however, the program was unable to submit correspondence to substantiate such approval. Board records **do not** confirm approval of class admissions after April 10, 2008.

On April 26, 2010, the director submitted correspondence requesting the admission of 30 students commencing August 2, 2010, to **replace** the class completing program requirements July 25, 2010. That class is projected to graduate November 21, 2011.

Section 2530(l) states:

“The program shall maintain a yearly average minimum pass rate on the licensure examination that does not fall below 10 percentage points of the state average pass rate for first time candidates of accredited vocational nursing schools for the same period.

(1) Failure to maintain the required yearly average minimum pass rate for two years or eight consecutive quarters may be cause to place a program on provisional accreditation.”

Violation #2: The program’s average annual pass rate has been more than ten (10) percentage points below the state average annual pass rate for nine (9) consecutive quarters.

Plan of Correction: This violation is **not corrected**. The violation will be corrected when the program’s pass rates improve consistent with regulatory requirements.

Recommendations:

1. Place Community Based Education & Development College Vocational Nursing Program on provisional accreditation for the one-year period from May 20, 2010, through May 31, 2011, and issue a notice to the program to identify specific areas of noncompliance and requirements for correction as referenced in Section 2526.1 (e) of the California Code of Regulations (see Attachment B Draft).
2. Require the program to show documented progress by submitting a follow-up report in ten (10) months. The report must include a comprehensive analysis of the program, specific actions taken to improve program pass rates, timelines for expected results, and the effectiveness of corrective actions taken to address the following elements:
 - a. Current Student Enrollment.
 - b. Admission Criteria.
 - c. Screening and Selection Criteria.
 - d. Terminal Objectives.
 - e. Curriculum Objectives.
 - f. Instructional Plan.
 - g. Theory and Clinical Objectives for Each Course.
 - h. Lesson Plans for Each Course.
 - i. Textbooks.

- j. Attendance Policy.
 - k. Remediation Policy.
 - l. Evaluations of Theory and Clinical Faculty.
 - m. Evaluations of Theory Presentations.
 - n. Evaluations of Clinical Rotations and Their Correlation to Theory Presentations.
 - o. Evaluation of Student Achievement.
3. Require the program to comply with all accreditation standards in article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing at Business and Professions Code section 2880, and article 5 of the Board's regulations, commencing at California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 2525.

Rationale: The Board has serious concerns relative to the program's non-compliance with regulations relative to pass rate on the NCLEX-PN® for the last eight (8) quarters. During that time, 170 program graduates have completed the NCLEX-PN®. Of the total tested, 60 (35.29%) program graduates have passed the licensure examination.

4. Deny the program's request to admit 30 students commencing August 2, 2010, to replace students completing program requirements July 25, 2010.

Rationale: The Board has serious concerns relative to the program's non – compliance with regulations relative to the admission of classes without prior Board approval. Given the program's low average annual pass rates, denial of the proposed class admissions will allow the program to complete a total analysis and implement corrective interventions to enhance student achievement.

5. The program shall admit no further classes without prior Board approval.

Attachment A – Program correspondence received April 26, 2010.
Attachment B – Notice of Change in Accreditation Status Draft.



ATTACHMENT B

June 22, 2010

Alice L. Sorrell – Thompson, M.B.A., R.N.
Vocational Nursing Program
Community Based Education and Development College
5724 West 3rd Street, Third Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90036

Subject: Notice of Change in Accreditation Status

Dear Ms. Sorell - Thompson:

Pursuant to the action of the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (Board) on May 20, 2010, the status of the Community Based Education & Development College Vocational Nursing Program has been changed from full accreditation to provisional accreditation for the for the one-year period from May 20, 2010, through May 31, 2011. Please sign and return the enclosed "Acknowledgement of Change in Accreditation Status" form by **Wednesday, June 30, 2010.**

AREAS OF NON-COMPLIANCE [VIOLATION(S)]

In accordance with Section 2526.1(c) of title 16 of the California Code of Regulations,

"The Board may place any program on provisional accreditation when that program does not meet all requirements as set forth in this chapter and in Section 2526..."

1. The program failed to comply with Section 2530 (k) of the California Code of Regulations in that six (6) classes were admitted without prior Board approval from November 2008 through April 2010.
2. The program failed to comply with Section 2530 (l) of the California Code of Regulations in that it failed to maintain an average annual pass rate on the licensure examination that was no more than ten (10) percentage points below the state average annual pass rate for first time candidates of accredited vocational nursing schools for the same period..

The program pass rates of the Community Based Education and Development College Vocational Nursing Program for the past nine (9) quarters are set forth in the following table.

Quarter	State Annual Average Pass Rate	Program Annual Average Pass Rate
Oct – Dec 2007	76%	63%
Jan – Mar 2008	75%	64%
Apr – Jun 2008	74%	51%
Jul – Sep 2008	74%	52%
Oct – Dec 2008	73%	46%
Jan – Mar 2009	72%	38%
Apr – June 2009	70%	39%
Jul – Sep 2009	72%	32%
Oct – Dec 2009	73%	31%

Based on this data, the program failed to meet the annual average pass rate requirement.

REQUIRED CORRECTION(S)

1. The Community Based Education and Development Vocational Nursing Program shall admit classes with prior Board approval only.
2. The program must bring its licensure examination annual average pass rate to no more than ten (10) percentage points below the State annual average pass rate for four (4) consecutive quarters by **May 31, 2011**.
3. The program must show documented progress by submitting a follow-up report in ten (10) months, but no later than **February 15, 2011**. The report must include a comprehensive analysis of the program, specific actions taken to improve program pass rates, timelines for expected results, and the effectiveness of corrective actions taken to address the following elements:
 - a. Current Student Enrollment.
 - b. Admission Criteria.
 - c. Screening and Selection Criteria.
 - d. Terminal Objectives.
 - e. Curriculum Objectives.
 - f. Instructional Plan.
 - g. Theory and Clinical Objectives for Each Course.
 - h. Lesson Plans for Each Course.
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 - l. Evaluations of Theory and Clinical Faculty.
 - m. Evaluations of Theory Presentations.
 - n. Evaluations of Clinical Rotations and Their Correlation to Theory Presentations.
 - o. Evaluation of Student Achievement.
4. The program must comply with all accreditation standards in article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing at Business and Professions Code

section 2880, and article 5 of the Board's regulations, commencing at California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 2525.

Failure to take these corrective actions may cause the Board to revoke the program's accreditation. In the event additional violations of the accreditation standards are identified, such violations may result in further corrective action or revocation of provisional accreditation.

FUTURE BOARD ACTION

Your program will be placed on the **May 2011** Board meeting agenda for reconsideration of your accreditation status. The nursing education consultant assigned to your program will ask you to submit documentation of the correction of your violation(s) by the fifteenth day of the second month prior to that Board meeting.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please be advised that, pursuant to the Board's regulations, the program will not be authorized to admit new classes beyond the established pattern of admissions previously approved by the Board. The established pattern of admissions approved by the Board is as follows: **Board approval is required prior to the admission of each class.**

In the event your program is required to submit any report(s) as a corrective action pursuant to this notice, such reports are required in addition to any other reports required pursuant to 2527 of the Board's regulations.

The program may no longer advertise that it has full accreditation, and should take steps to correct any ongoing advertisements or publications in that regard.

A copy of title 16, California Code of Regulations, section 2526.1, regarding provisional accreditation is attached for your reference. A complete copy of the Board's laws and regulations can be found on the Board's web site at www.bvnpt.ca.gov.

Should you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Board.

Sincerely,

TERESA BELLO-JONES, J.D., M.S.N., R.N.
Executive Officer

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Enclosure

cc: Board Members

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July 7, 2010

Teresa Bello-Jones J.D., M.S.N., R.N.
Executive Officer
Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians
2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 205
Sacramento, California 95833

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BVNPT Received
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Dear Ms. Bello-Jones,

This correspondence is to keep you abreast of CBD College's communication with your office.
We are very grateful for the help and support we have received from the BVNPT staff.

Thank You,



Alice Sorrell-Thompson, MBA, RN
Director, VN Program
Community Based Education and Development College

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June 10th, 2010.

Fax n. (916) 263-7866

Board of Vocational Nursing
Ms. Cheryl Anderson
2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 205
Sacramento, CA 95833

Dear Ms. Cheryl,

Re.: **Request to start replacement class**

This is to formally request a replacement start for the class graduating on July 25th, 2010. Our VN Program is designed to provide the course through 4 Modules (60 weeks). As each Module finishes, the next one starts, allowing the classes to progress at the same time.

We currently have 4 classes¹ enrolled in the VN Program, with one class in each Module. As the class in the last Module will graduate, and all other 3 classes will progress to the following Module, the first quarter of the program will be vacant, allowing a new class to start.

The attached documents demonstrate that CBD College remains prepared to receive this class as a replacement to the graduating one. As we have four different instructors to teach Theory (one per Module), clinical sites, and instructors to provide all clinical education necessary for successful completion of the program, we urge you to approve our request to start a replacement class, to start on July 26th, 2010.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Alice Sorrell-Thompson, RN, MBA
VN Program Director
CBD College

Encl. Enrollment Data Table
Faculty – Clinical Assignments Table
Faculty and Facilities Form
OB-Peds Tracking Form

¹ We also have the AAS Class, with 10 students in the AAS Class, approved as a separate start, on April 30, 2008.

Faculty/Student Clinical Assignments

Complete for all currently enrolled and all proposed students.
Use data for your faculty and facilities that will accurately document the status on the first clinical day for your proposed students.

School: Community Based Education and Development d/b/a CBD College

Faculty name	Assigned facility	# of Students Allowed/ Instructor	# of Students Actually in Group	Level of students being taught	Days of Clinical Experience	Time of Clinical Experience	Pre-conference Time	Post-conference Time
Jackson, Stephanie	Saint John of God	10 / 1	7	1 (team 1)	Thursday	2:30pm – 11:00pm	2:30pm	10:30pm
Jackson, Stephanie	Saint John of God	10 / 1	7	1 (team 1)	Sunday	2:30pm – 11:00pm	2:30pm	10:30pm
DeLaMerced, Noel	Country Villa Wilshire	10 / 1	7	1 (team 2)	Tuesday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
DeLaMerced, Noel	Country Villa Wilshire	10 / 1	7	1 (team 2)	Saturday	2:30pm – 11:00pm	2:30pm	10:30pm
Antido, Sheryl	Westlake Center	10 / 1	7	1 (team 3)	Friday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Jones, Dorla	Westlake Center	10 / 1	7	1 (team 3)	Saturday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Bella, Luisa	Westlake Center	10 / 1	9	1 (team 4)	Thursday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Pinkney, Michelle	Westlake Center	10 / 1	9	1 (team 4)	Sunday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
DeLaMerced, Noel	Country Villa Wilshire	10 / 1	10	2 (team 1)	Wednesday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Zharovskaya, Irina	Saint John of God	10 / 1	10	2 (team 1)	Friday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Zharovskaya, Irina	New Vista Post-Acute Care Center	15 / 1	14	2 (team 2)	Wednesday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Pinkney, Michelle	New Vista Post-Acute Care Center	15 / 1	14	2 (team 2)	Saturday	2:30pm – 11:00pm	2:30pm	10:30pm
DeLaMerced, Noel	Country Villa Wilshire	10 / 1	10	2 (team 3)	Thursday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
DeLaMerced, Noel	Country Villa Wilshire	10 / 1	10	2 (team 3)	Friday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm

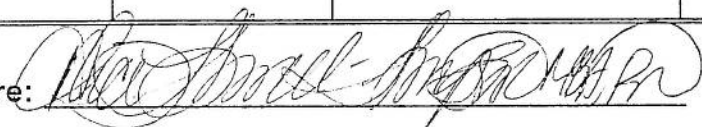
Faculty name	Assigned facility	# of Students Allowed/ Instructor	# of Students Actually in Group	Level of students being taught	Days of Clinical Experience	Time of Clinical Experience	Pre-conference Time	Post-conference Time
Johnson, Paula	New Vista Post-Acute Care Center	15 / 1	0 (on hold)	2 (team 4)	Wednesday	2:30pm – 11:00pm	2:30pm	10:30pm
Johnson, Paula	New Vista Post-Acute Care Center	15 / 1	0 (on hold)	2 (team 4)	Saturday	2:30pm – 11:00pm	2:30pm	10:30pm
Zharovskaya, Irina	New Vista Post-Acute Care Center	15 / 1	7	2 (VNAA)	Thursday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Zharovskaya, Irina	New Vista Post-Acute Care Center	15 / 1	7	2 (VNAA)	Saturday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Abramyan, Mike	Olympia Medical Center	12 / 1	12	3 (team 1)	Tuesday	2:30pm – 11:00pm	2:30pm	10:30pm
Jones, Dorla	New Vista Post-Acute Care Center	15 / 1	12	3 (team 1)	Sunday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Abramyan, Mike	Olympia Medical Center	12 / 1	10	3 (team 2)	Friday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Bella, Luisa	Saint John of God	10 / 1	10	3 (team 2)	Saturday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Johnson, Paula	New Vista Post-Acute Care Center	15 / 1	12	3 (team 3)	Friday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Khilkovich, Oleg	Olympia Medical Center	12 / 1	12	3 (team 3)	Sunday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Pinkney, Michelle	New Vista Post-Acute Care Center	15 / 1	0 (on hold)	3 (team 4)	Tuesday	2:30pm-11:00pm	2:30pm	10:30pm
Pinkney, Michelle	New Vista Post-Acute Care Center	15 / 1	0 (on hold)	3 (team 4)	Wednesday	2:30pm-11:00pm	2:30pm	10:30pm
Lucas, Bernadette	Olympia Medical Center	12 / 1	10	4 (team 1, 2, 3) 4 on hold,	Monday	2:30pm-11:00pm	2:30pm	10:30pm
Lucas, Bernadette	Olympia Medical Center	12 / 1	10	4 (team 1, 2, 3) 4 on hold	Wednesday	2:30pm-11:00pm	2:30pm	10:30pm
Khilkovich, Oleg	Olympia Medical Center	12 / 1	10	4 (team 1, 2, 3)	Saturday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Abramyan, Mike	Olympia Medical Center	12/1	10	4 (team 1, 2, 3)	Monday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Bella, Luisa	Kaiser Permanente	10 / 1	10	4 (team 1, 2, 3, 4)	Monday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm

Faculty name	Assigned facility	# of Students Allowed/ Instructor	# of Students Actually in Group	Level of students being taught	Days of Clinical Experience	Time of Clinical Experience	Pre-conference Time	Post-conference Time
Bella, Luisa	Kaiser Permanente	10/1	0	4 (team 1, 2, 3) 4 on hold	Wednesday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Antido, Sheryl	Saint John of God	10/1	10	4 (team 1, 2, 3) 4 on hold	Monday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Antido, Sheryl	Saint John of God	10/1	10	4 (team 1, 2, 3) 4 on hold	Saturday	7:00am – 3:30pm	7:00am	3:00pm
Weakley, Freddie	Orthopaedic Hospital	2 / 1	2 per day per shift	4 (2 per shift)	Mon – Sun	7:00am – 3:00pm 3:00pm – 11:00pm	7:00am 2:30	2:30pm 10:30

Please complete the following Enrollment Data Table for all classes currently enrolled and for those that are proposed.

School Name: Community Based Education and Development

ENROLLMENT DATA			
CLASS DATES		#Students Admitted at time of class start	#Students who are still in the class
Date class started or will start	Date class will Complete		
04/06/2009	07/25/2010	40	32
08/03/2009	11/21/2010	37	33
10/05/2009	03/04/2011	9	8
11/30/2009	03/27/2011	40	39
04/05/2010	07/24/2011	26	24

Signature: 

Date: 6/11/2010

Please complete the following Enrollment Data Table for all classes currently enrolled and for those that are proposed.

(This is the same table as above, only containing the total enrolled column)

ENROLLMENT DATA				
CLASS DATES		#Students Admitted at time of class start	#Students who are still in the class	Total Enrolled
Date class started or will start	Date class will Complete			
04/06/2009	07/25/2010	40	32	32
08/03/2009	11/21/2010	37	33	32+33=65
11/30/2009	03/27/2011	40	39	65+39=104
04/05/2010	07/24/2011	26	24	104+24=128
	07/25/2010 (04/06/2009 class)		-32	128-32=96
07/26/2010	11/24/2011	40	40	96+40=136
10/05/2009	03/04/2011	9	8	136+8=144

Signature:

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Date:

6/11/2010

¹Proposed Start

²AAS Class – approved as a different start.

Board of Vocational Nursing & Psychiatric Technicians
ANNUAL REPORT - SCHOOL FACULTY
Vocational Nursing Program

School Name:	Faculty Name	Type of License			Degree				Tchg. Cred./ Equiv.				Position Code				FT; PT; Substitute			Teaches Theory and or Clinical			Board Approval Date	Employee Termination Date (If Applicable)	
		RN	VN	PT	A	B	M	D	C	E	D	AD	I	TA	AF	FT	PT	S	(T)	(C)	Both				
Community Based Education and Development	Abramyan, Mike	x															x					x	01/06/09		
	Anido, Sheryl	x				x												x				x	09/22/09		
	Allen, Karyn	x			x			x										x					09/26/06	11/23/09	
	Bella, Luisa	x				x												x					08/10/09		
	Briggs-Thomas, Denise	x			x	x													x				05/07/07	08/15/08	
	Burch, Willa	x			x	x			x											x			08/08/06	12/09/09	
	Davis, Queen	x				x														x			03/15/06		
	De La Merced, Noel			x		x															x		09/14/09		
	Finney, Amelia	x					x														x		03/03/10	05/03/10	
	Jackson, Stephanie	x					x															x	08/10/09		
	Johnson, Paula	x			x	x			x										x				06/27/08		
	Jones, Dolla	x			x	x													x				07/31/07		
	Kilkevich, Oleg	x			x																x		12/23/09		
	Kilpatrick, Karen	x					x												x				12/23/09		
	Lucas, Bernadette	x				x																	05/13/09		
	Meiers, Marilyn	x			x	x			x											x			03/16/10		
	Pinckney, Michelle	x			x	x																	03/07/05		
	Reed, Pamela	x			x	x																	10/29/07	12/09/09	
	Rosen, Bryan	x			x	x																	12/19/09	03/01/10	
	Rosenblat, Regina	x																					12/01/09		
	SoYan, Souzanna	x																					02/26/08	02/15/09	
	Sorrell-Thompson, Alice	x				x																x		08/10/09	
	Vann, Robert	x				x																	08/01/09	12/10/09	
Vinzon, Marilyn Fadino	x				x																	10/16/08			
Weakley, Freddie	x				x																	06/02/08			
Zharovskaya, Irina	x					x																11/20/07			

**Board of Vocational Nursing & Psychiatric Technicians
ANNUAL REPORT - SCHOOL FACILITY
Vocational Nursing Program**

Facility Codes:

PT Programs Only - CDU = Chemical Dependency Unit; MHC = Mental Health Clinics; PH = Psychiatric Hospitals; PM = Rehabilitation Nursing; Matern = Maternity Nu

Clinical Use Codes:

MD = Mental Disorders; DD = Developmental Disabilities.

PT Programs Only - **MD** = Mental Disorders; **DD** = Developmental Disabilities.

Maternity and Pediatric Tracking Form
Community Based Education and Development

The purpose of this form is to delineate the program's presentation of theory instruction and clinical experience in Maternity Nursing and Pediatric Nursing to enrolled students and to ensure that every student receives the number of hours of theory instruction and clinical training consistent with the Board - approved curriculum.

List each student assignment for Maternity Nursing and Pediatric Nursing. Include both theory instruction and clinical experience, according to the program's instructional plan. Fill in the corresponding week of theory instruction and clinical experience from the program's instructional plan (IP). Modify the form as needed to show the number of students you are requesting and the number of weeks in your terms

Week	IP Wk # 46 (Mod. IV week 1)		IP Wk # 47 (Mod. IV week 2)		IP Wk # 48 (Mod. IV week 3)		IP Wk # 49 (Mod. IV week 4)		IP Wk # 50 (Mod. IV week 5)	
Session	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Theory for all students	Health Promo of Infant	Health Promo: Child &	Basic Pediatric Care	Basic Pediatric Care	Basic Pediatric Care	Child of Physical Disorder	Child of Physical Disorder	Child with mental	Pregnancy	Pregnancy
Clinical Student 1-10	ORTHO- Pediatric Weakley	ORTHO- Pediatric Weakley	ORTHO- Pediatric Weakley	ORTHO- Pediatric Weakley	ORTHO- Pediatric Weakley	OLYM Khilk. Sat - DAY	OLYM - Abram. - Mon - DAY	OLYM Khilk. Sat - DAY	OLYM - Abram. - Mon - DAY	OLYM Khilk. Sat - DAY
Clinical Student 11-20	OLYM Khilk. Sat - DAY	OLYM - Abram. - Mon - DAY	OLYM Khilk. Sat - DAY	OLYM - Abram. - Mon - DAY	OLYM Khilk. Sat - DAY	ORTHO- Pediatric Weakley	ORTHO- Pediatric Weakley	ORTHO- Pediatric Weakley	ORTHO- Pediatric Weakley	ORTHO- Pediatric Weakley
Clinical Student 21-30	OLYM - Lucas - Mon EVE	OLYM - Lucas - Wed EVE	OLYM - Lucas - Mon EVE	OLYM - Lucas - Wed EVE	OLYM - Lucas - Mon EVE	OLYM - Lucas - Wed EVE	OLYM - Lucas - Mon EVE	OLYM - Lucas - Wed EVE	OLYM - Lucas - Mon EVE	OLYM - Lucas - Wed EVE
Clinical Student 31-40	SJG - Antido- Mon - DAY	SJG - Antido - Sat - DAY	SJG - Antido- Mon - DAY	SJG - Antido - Sat - DAY	SJG - Antido- Mon - DAY	SJG - Antido - Sat - DAY	SJG - Antido- Mon - DAY	SJG - Antido - Sat - DAY	SJG - Antido- Mon - DAY	SJG - Antido - Sat - DAY

Maternity and Pediatric Tracking Form
Community Based Education and Development

Legend:

KAISER - Kaiser Permanente
OLYM - Olympia Medical Center
ORTHO - Orthopaedic Hospital Outpatient Medical Center
SJG - Saint John of God Retirement Center

IP Wk # 51 (Mod. IV week 6)		IP Wk # 52 (Mod. IV week 7)		IP Wk # 53 (Mod. IV week 8)		IP Wk # 54 (Mod. IV week 9)		IP Wk # 55 (Mod. IV week 10)		IP Wk # 56 (Mod. IV week 11)	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Care of Mother and Newborn	Care of Mother and Newborn	High Risk Mother	Basic Mental Health	Basic Mental Health	Care of Pt Psych Disorder	Care of Pt Psych Disorder	Drugs for Anxiety	Drugs for Anxiety	Care of Pt Addictive Personality	Care of Pt Addictive Personality	Leadership
SJG - Antido - Mon - DAY	SJG Antido - Sat - DAY	SJG Antido Mon - DAY	SJG - Antido - Sat DAY	SJG Antido - Mon - DAY	OLYM Khilk. Sat DAY	OLYM - Abram. - Mon - DAY	OLYM Khilk. Sat DAY	OLYM - Abram. - Mon - DAY	OLYM - Abram. - Mon - DAY	OLYM - Abram. - Mon - DAY	OLYM Khilk. Sat DAY
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July 26th, 2010.

Mr. John Vertido
Board President
Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians

BVNPT Received
on 7/30/10 with _____

Re.: CBD College – Request for Replacement Start – July 26 2010

Dear Mr. Vertido,

First of all, we would like to apologize bringing this issue to your attention, but we've exhausted our options with the BVNPT and we hope you can assist us with the following:

On May 20th 2010, CBD College appeared before the Board meeting to respond to the violations and recommendations stated on the report prepared by Ms. Cheryl Anderson (Agenda # 14.B).

CBD was placed on provisional status and is now required to obtain permission from the Board to start replacement classes. Our Director of Education and Program Director even approached the Board and you personally to understand how this process would work.

Ms. Alice Thompson, CBD's VN Program Director, submitted an e-mail to Ms. Cheryl Anderson inquiring about the format and documents she would like to receive for this replacement of class approval. Ms. Anderson quickly responded to that inquiry, and CBD immediately started to work on the documents requested.

On June 10th, CBD College submitted by fax, e-mail, and regular mail (Fedex) the request for the new start, with all documents attached. The replacement start was supposed to begin on July 26th, 2010.

Since June 10th, Ms. Thompson has repeatedly tried to contact Ms. Anderson by phone and e-mail, but all the attempts resulted unsuccessful. We are attaching a log with all communications attempts with the Board.

On 07/07/2010, in an attempt to get Ms. Bello-Jones aware that we responded in a timely fashion to Ms. Anderson's request, the same packet with the request to start was mailed to her by Fedex. Still, no answer was received.

At this point, we ran out of options and have no one to respond to us. CBD College is a non-profit organization, serving students from the community, allocating all efforts to provide good education and produce competent and safe nurses. As part of these efforts, the curriculum and instructional plan have been structured in Modules, creating a rotating cycle that requires a detail and advanced planning.

Please see the table below to illustrate how crucial it is to follow this cycle: the dates indicate the Modules end dates, meaning that all modules start at the same date.

Date	Module I	Module II	Module III	Module IV
11/30/2009	Group 12	Group 11	Group 10	Group 9
04/05/2010	Group 13	Group 12	Group 11	Group 10
07/26/2010	pending	Group 13	Group 12	Group 11



Group 14 was supposed to start on 07/26/2010. This means that the theory and lab instructors in Module I are currently without any assignments, and will only resume their activities when the Board approves our request to start. Even though everyone understands that this is a delicate situation, we realize that instructors depend on their assignments to follow their personal budget, and this delay may cause them to leave, creating another scenario of drastic change, without any reason. Clinical sites, which are so difficult to obtain, are also at stake, as they are waiting to get Module I students at a certain time, and if they are not there, the slots may be given to another school.

Moreover, we understand that one of the roles of the Board is to protect the public and ensure that only safe nurses are caring for people. Well, if an approved school is not able to tell the students when the class will start, making them wait daily for communication from the school, it causes the school to look disorganized, unreliable and not-trustworthy. And truthfully, all of this not because of our actions, but because the Board is being incapable of responding to us.

CBD takes pride in serving the community and is striving to improve NCLEX results (the last group had an 80% pass rate), allocating all possible resources and efforts to produce better results. But we believe that the Board shouldn't be punishing this organization and the community it serves, by severing all communications.

We sincerely hope that you could take this request to action, and have either Ms. Anderson or Ms. Bello-Jones to process our request and respond to us as soon as possible.

Very Truly Yours,

Alan Heshel
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August 13, 2010

Alice Sorrell – Thompson, B.S., R.N.
Director, Vocational Nursing Program
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Los Angeles, CA 90036

Subject: Request to Admit Students

Dear Ms. Sorrell–Thompson:

The Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (Board) received correspondence from Allan Hesnel, President, CBD College that was mailed to the residence of John Vertido, Board President. Specifically, the correspondence requested approval to admit a class on July 26, 2010 and stated the failure of staff to process your request. A note was attached stating, "We're sorry to mail this to your home address, but we couldn't find another mailing address."

Please be advised that President Vertido requests that all program correspondence and telephone communications be directed to the Board's office. All communications will be timely forwarded to him. Board Members do not respond individually outside of Board meetings to issues that may require board vote. Doing so may disqualify the Board Member from casting a vote.

As documented in its June 22, 2010 correspondence, the Board placed Community Based Education and Development College Vocational Nursing Program on Provisional Accreditation for the one-year period from May 20, 2010, through May 31, 2011. The program was advised of additional requirements under separate cover that must be met during the provisional accreditation period. Additionally, the Board denied the program's request to admit 30 students commencing August 2, 2010, to replace students completing program requirements July 25, 2010, and directed that the program admit no further classes without prior Board approval.

Board Members voiced concern about the program's non-compliance with regulatory requirements relative to program pass rates on the NCLEX-PN® for the prior eight (8) quarters and non-compliance with regulations relative to the admission of classes without prior Board approval. They stated that denial of the proposed class admission would allow the program to complete a total analysis and implement corrective interventions to enhance student achievement.

On June 11, 2010, you forwarded electronic correspondence requesting approval of 40 students to replace students graduating July 25, 2010. On July 14, 2010, the Board received a duplicate request for a replacement class.

On August 6, 2010, the Executive Officer deferred action on the program's request to the Board at the September 16, 2010 meeting. You were notified of this decision per telephone. Subsequently, program administration telephoned the residence of President Vertido.

On August 9, 2010, you and Karin Attar, Director of Education, appeared at the Board's office requesting a meeting relative to the Board's scheduled reconsideration of the program's request at the September 16, 2010 meeting. Pam Hinckley, Nursing Education Consultant, and I met with you and reviewed the Board's decisions relative to your program. At your request, the Executive Officer also met with you to clarify actions taken relative to your program. Additionally, we discussed the Board's expectations for all vocational nursing and psychiatric technician programs.

You indicated that the program may desire to submit additional documentation and requests to the Board. Please submit your documentation as soon as possible. Copies will be forwarded to Board Members for consideration with your request.

Please contact the Board at (916) 263-7845 should further information be needed.

Sincerely,

CHERYL C. ANDERSON, M.S., R.N.
Supervising Nursing Education Consultant

cc: Teresa Bello – Jones, J.D., M.S.N., R.N.
Executive Officer

John Vertido, L.V.N.
Board President



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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MAY 9, 2008

OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Vertido, L.V.N. Educator Member, President
Todd D'Braunstein, P.T. Member, Vice-President
Kevin Baucom, P.T. Member
Martin Mariscal, Public Member
Kenneth Merchant, Public Member
Delores Irene Moreno Bennett, L.V.N. Member
Angelique Stephens, Public Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Henry Aguilar, Public Member
Josefina Canchola, Public Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Teresa Bello-Jones, J.D., M.S.N., R.N., Executive Officer
Ann Shuman, Supervising Nursing Education Consultant
Michele Hedding, Associate Governmental Program Analyst
Jason Reinhardt, Executive Technician
Laura Freedman Eidson, Legal Counsel, Department of
Consumer Affairs

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the President, John Vertido (Board President), at 9:01 a.m., May 9, 2008, at the Waterfront Plaza Hotel, Spinnaker Room, 10 Washington Street, Oakland, CA 94607.

2. INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF

Board Members introduced themselves. Teresa Bello-Jones, Executive Officer (EO), introduced the staff present.

3. INTRODUCTION OF ACCREDITED SCHOOLS REPRESENTED AT MEETING

The Board President welcomed faculty and students from the following vocational nursing (VN) and psychiatric technician (PT) programs:

American College of Nursing, Concord
Annenburg School of Nursing, Reseda
California Nurses & Vocational Institute
Career Care Institute, Lancaster
Career Care Institute, Moreno Valley
Career Care Institute, Ventura
College of Medical Arts, El Cerrito
Healthcare Education Advancement Center
Maric College, North County (Vista)
Maric College, North Hollywood

Maric College, San Diego
Nursing Care Providers Vocational School
North West College, West Covina
Pacific College, Costa Mesa
Silicon Valley Medical Academy
St. Francis Career College, Lynwood
St. Francis Career College, San Jose
Unitek College, Fremont
Valley School of Allied Health, Reseda

Board Member Certificates of Recognition – The Board President presented Certificates of Recognition to Irene Moreno and Henry Aguilar (absent from meeting). Their term of appointment officially expires June 1, 2008. In addition, due to the impending sunset of the Board effective July 1, 2008, Certificates of Recognition were also presented to the other Board Members at the meeting. The EO presented John Vertido with a Certificate of Recognition and a plaque in acknowledgement of his service as Board President since February 2007.

4. PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Board President read a special notice addressing the Board's legal mandate and procedure to have an issue placed on the Board Meeting agenda. He announced that public comment is welcome on any open agenda item prior to the Board's discussion. However, the Board may limit the length of time allowed for comment.

The Board President announced that a list of disciplinary actions taken against licensees and applicants is published and distributed to all interested parties on June 30th and December 31st each year. Interested parties were advised to contact Board staff or submit a request in writing to the Board to obtain a copy of this list.

5. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

State and Consumer Services Agency (Agency) & Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA)

DCA Staff – The EO provided an update of recent appointments within DCA's Executive Office.

DCA Professionals Achieving Consumer Trust Summit (PACTs) – The EO reported that the DCA is planning a summit of all the DCA boards and bureaus to demonstrate DCA's commitment to transparency in government. The event is set for the week of November 17, 2008, at the Westin LAX Hotel in Los Angeles. The Board will conduct its disciplinary and regular Board meeting on November 20-21, 2008.

Education Program

Submission of School Materials for Nursing Education Consultants (NEC) Review – The EO requested that schools cooperate with the Board when submitting materials for review. Specifically, she requested that the schools work with their NEC to establish mutually agreeable deadlines. The EO reminded the schools that all materials submitted must be in final form. The EO reported that review of new program packages takes a minimum of nine months and may take longer depending on the quality and completeness of the proposal.

Education Program Statistics Update – The EO reported that, as of April 25, 2008, the total number of accredited and approved VN and PT programs was 219 (i.e. VN programs – 203 and PT programs – 16). The total number of VN and PT proposed programs was 81 (i.e. VN programs – 78 and PT programs – 3).

Liaison Activities

Licensed Vocational Nurses League of California (LVNLC), Inc. 55th Annual Convention – The Board President reported that on April 23, 2008, he represented the Board at the LVNLC Convention in Sacramento, along with Suellen Clayworth, NEC. The theme of the conference was the Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) Acute Care Crisis. The Board President gave the Keynote speech. Additionally, he provided an update on the current status of bills moving through the legislature related to the Board's scheduled sunset date effective July 1, 2008. Ms. Clayworth followed the Board President's address. Ms. Clayworth encouraged participants to become involved in the legislative process and demonstrated how to track bills, obtain information about legislators, and contact legislators to express support or opposition to bills.

California Vocational Nurse Educators (CVNE) Conference – The Board President reported that on April 26, 2008, he represented the Board at the CVNE Spring 2008 Conference. He gave an overview of the factors that led up to the Board becoming a Bureau and updated the participants on the current status of bills moving through the legislature related to the Board's sunset date effective July 1, 2008. Additionally, he assured the participants that Board functions would continue uninterrupted and encouraged participants to become actively involved in the legislative process.

Bay Area College of Nursing – On May 2, 2008, the EO presented a graduation speech to the Bay Area College of Nursing VN Program's graduating class at the Basque Cultural Center in South San Francisco.

Psychiatric Technician Program

PT Licensure Examination Committee of Content Experts Conference – The EO reported that on April 21-23, 2008, the Board and the DCA Office of Examination Resources (OER) convened the 2008 PT Committee of Content Experts Conference. The purpose of the conference was the construction of the 2009 PT Licensure Examination to implement the new PT Licensure Examination Test Plan, passing standard, and modified examination specifications as adopted by the Board. Approximately 900 real and tryout examination items were analyzed, evaluated, and edited. Comparability in terms of level of difficulty with the anchor examination was confirmed.

Examination Statistics

VN Examination Statistics – The EO provided statistics from the NCLEX-PN® licensure examination for candidates who tested during the period from July 1, 2007 through March 31, 2008. The overall pass rate was 58% with a 75% pass rate for first-time candidates.

PT Examination Statistics – The EO provided statistics from the PT licensure examination for candidates who tested during the period from July 1, 2007 through March 31, 2008. The overall pass rate was 49% with a 72% pass rate for first-time candidates.

Sunset Review Update

The EO reported that the Board is scheduled to sunset on July 1, 2008, due to a legislative oversight. Legislation is underway to ensure that the Board will sunrise on January 1, 2009. However, from July 1 – December 31, 2008, the Board will become a Bureau under the oversight of the DCA. The EO assured the public that Board functions will continue uninterrupted.

The EO reported that the following legislative proposals are pending: 1) authority for a bureau chief position; 2) authority to appoint an Advisory Committee in lieu of an 11-member board; 3) reestablishment of the Board on January 1, 2009; and 4) authority to appoint current board members to the newly reestablished Board effective January 1, 2009.

Transition from Board Members to Advisory Committee

The EO reported that, due to the impending sunset of the Board, all of the current Board Member appointments will expire on July 1, 2008. The DCA Executive Office indicates that it will send letters of invitation to current Board Members to submit their applications to serve as Advisory Committee Members during the six month period that the Board functions as a Bureau.

Surveys

Customer Service Surveys – The EO announced that the Board distributed a “Customer Service Survey” to solicit feedback regarding how it is accomplishing its mission and goals. The information is used to develop the Board’s Strategic Plan and is included in the Board’s Sunset Review Reports.

Miscellaneous

Personnel Update – The EO provided an update on personnel issues relative to vacant positions, new hires, promotions, and transfers.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Approved by the Board.

M – Todd D’Braunstein; S – Kenneth Merchant; and carried unanimously to adopt the minutes of the January 31 – February 1, 2008, Board Meeting.

7. REPORTS OF ACTIONS TAKEN REGARDING SCHOOL PROGRAM APPROVALS AND AUTHORIZATIONS

The EO reported the following:

- A. Actions Regarding VN and PT Applications; Licenses; Enforcement; Faculty; and Facilities.
- B. Decisions for VN and PT Programs.

8. LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Ann Shuman, Supervising Nursing Education Consultant, presented a status report on legislative bills that impact the Board and its licensees. In addition, Laura Freedman Eidson, Legal Counsel, reported on SB 1441 (Ridley-Thomas).

In regards to AB 2746 and SB 823, Laurie McDonald, Director of Career Care Institute, Moreno Valley, stated that the Bureau of Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education (BPPVE) required each institution to have an authorization to teach, prior to the dissolution of the BPPVE. Ms. McDonald wanted to know, with the return of this agency, if the authorization to teach will be required and how this could affect LVN instructors.

The Board President stated that the Board has no jurisdiction regarding this matter.

9. 2008 STRATEGIC PLAN

Michele Hedding, Associate Governmental Program Analyst (AGPA), reported that, at its annual Board Member workshop on January 30, 2008, the Board reviewed and updated its Strategic Plan for the year 2008 and beyond. Subsequent to the workshop, the DCA published its 2008-2010 Strategic Plan. The DCA Director encouraged all Board's/Bureau's to review the DCA Strategic Plan and incorporate any applicable goals and objectives it deems appropriate.

Ms. Hedding presented highlights of the minor revisions made to the Board's 2008 Strategic Plan.

Recommendation:

The Board adopt the Strategic Plan as revised for 2008, and forward it to the DCA by June 1, 2008.

M – Todd D'Braunstein; S – Delores Irene Moreno Bennett; and carried unanimously to adopt the 2008 Strategic Plan.

10. REGULATORY PROPOSAL – PROPOSAL TO ADD, AMEND, OR REPEAL DIVISION 25 OF TITLE 16, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTIONS 2522, 2522.5, AND 2524 (VN REGULATIONS) AND 2579, 2579.1, AND 2579.10 (PT REGULATIONS) RELATIVE TO REHABILITATION CRITERIA AND DISCIPLINARY GUIDELINES.

Michele Hedding, AGPA, reported that, at its February 1, 2008 meeting, the Board approved this regulatory proposal. However, subsequent to the meeting, additional technical changes were required. Consequently, a 15-day notice of the "Availability of Modified Text" was published on March 10, 2008. No written comments were received.

Recommendations:

1. The Board approve the regulatory proposal to amend Division 25 of Title 16, California Code of Regulations, to amend sections 2522 and 2524; and repeal section 2522.5 (VN Regulations); amend sections 2579 and 2579.10; and repeal section 2579.1 (PT Regulations);
2. Direct staff to submit the rulemaking file to the DCA and to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) for final approval; and
3. Authorize the EO to make non-substantive changes as are required by the Director of the DCA and the OAL.

M – Kenneth Merchant; S – Delores Irene Moreno Bennett; and carried unanimously that the Board adopt the recommendations.

11. NURSING EDUCATION CONSULTANTS' RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING VOCATIONAL NURSING AND PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIAN PROGRAMS

11.A. DESERT CAREER COLLEGE – REVOCATION OF PROGRAM ACCREDITATION AND REMOVAL FROM THE LIST OF ACCREDITED VOCATIONAL NURSING PROGRAMS

Ann Shuman, SNEC, reported that the Desert Career College VN Program was presented to consider of revocation of program accreditation and removal from the list of accredited VN programs.

On January 11, 2008, in response to a request from Board staff, the Desert Career College VN Program formally notified the Board that classes had been suspended, effective January 2, 2008. Reportedly, the suspension resulted from loan irregularities for some students. Resumption of classes was projected for January 16, 2008.

Ms. Shuman provided Board Members with a copy of a letter from the school dated May 1, 2008. In the letter, the president of the Desert Career College requested that all violations be removed from the Board's agenda report; that the Board recognize the school had voluntarily closed its nursing program; and that the Board use its influence and position with the State to address the issue of student loans for nurses.

Based on the information received, the recommendation was revised accordingly.

Recommendation:

The Board remove the program from the list of accredited VN programs.

Representative from the School: None present.

Laurie McDonald, Director of Career Care Institute, Moreno Valley, Mikhail Schneider, Director of Western Career College, and Margarita Valdez, Director of Unitek College, Fremont, expressed concerns regarding funding issues, and the financial difficulties the students and schools are experiencing.

The Board President stated that the Board has no jurisdiction regarding student funding.

M – Kenneth Merchant; S – Delores Irene Moreno Bennett; and carried 8-0 (Kevin Baucom was not in the room) that the Board adopt the recommendation.

11.B. HEALTHCARE EDUCATION ADVANCEMENT CENTER, INC. VOCATIONAL NURSING PROGRAM – PLACEMENT ON PROVISIONAL ACCREDITATION

Ann Shuman, SNEC, reported that Healthcare Education Advancement Center, Inc. VN Program is being presented to the Board for consideration of placement on provisional accreditation.

Healthcare Education Advancement Center VN Program failed to meet the requirements of section 2530(l) of the VN Rules and Regulations. The program's annual average licensure examination pass rates for the past eight quarters are more than ten percentage points below the state annual average pass rate for first-time candidates of accredited VN programs for the same period.

- Enrollment – Current and proposed enrollment indicates a maximum enrollment of 63 students for the period from April 2007 through October 2007.
- Exam Pass Rate – The program's average annual licensure examination pass rates for the two-year period from April 2006 through March 2008 were more than 10 percentage points below the state average annual pass rate.
- Facility & Facilities - The program has an adequate number of instructors and clinical facilities to support the current and proposed enrollment.

Recommendations:

1. The Board place the Healthcare Education Advancement Center, Inc. VN Program on provisional accreditation for the two-year period from May 9, 2008 through May 8, 2010.
2. The Board issue a notice to the program to identify specific areas of noncompliance and requirements for correction as referenced in section 2526.1(e) of the VN Rules and Regulations.

Representative from the school: Violeta Doles Arevalo, Director.

Ms. Arevalo provided an update regarding actions taken with students, specifically in regards to study plans and organization issues.

M – Delores Irene Moreno Bennett; S – Kenneth Merchant and carried unanimously to adopt the recommendations.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT

Laurie McDonald, Director of Career Care Institute, Moreno Valley, stated that she hopes the Board can do something about the problems finding acute care clinical placement.

The Board President stated that no action could be taken regarding this matter at the current Board Meeting, but the Board would take her comments into consideration.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

Prepared by: _____ Date: _____
Teresa Bello-Jones, J.D., M.S.N., R.N.
Executive Officer

Approved by: _____ Date: _____
Advisory Committee Chair

(6/20/08)

ATTACHMENT G

Agenda Item #7.B.



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DATE: May 9, 2008

TO: Directors

FROM: 
Teresa Bello-Jones, J.D., M.S.N., R.N.
Executive Officer

SUBJECT: **Report on Executive Officer's Decisions for Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technician Programs**

The following is a summary of actions taken by the Board's Executive Officer for vocational nursing and psychiatric technician programs.

Effective January 22, 2008:

1. International Career Development Center, Inc., Vocational Nursing Program – Report of Program Closure - (Director-Janet Latto, Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, Private)

The Regional Director of the International Career Development Center, Inc. (ICDC) notified the Board of closure of the vocational nursing program, effective January 15, 2008.

The Executive Officer ordered that the International Career Development Center, Inc. Vocational Nursing Program be removed from the Board's list of *Accredited Vocational Nursing Schools*.

Effective February 8, 2008:

2. Angeles College of Nursing Vocational Nursing Program – Request to Admit a Class (Director: Audrey O'Donnell – Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, Private)

The director of Angeles College of Nursing Vocational Nursing Program requested Board approval to admit a full-time class of 15 students on February 19, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of March 20, 2009.

The Executive Officer approved the program's request to admit a full-time class of 15 students commencing February 19, 2008, only, with an anticipated graduation date of March 20, 2009.

3. Preferred College of Nursing, Van Nuys, Vocational Nursing Program – Request to Admit a Class (Director: Elvira Domines – Van Nuys, Los Angeles County, Private)

The director of Preferred College of Nursing, Van Nuys, Vocational Nursing Program requested to admit a full-time class of 30 students on February 25, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of February 27, 2009.

The Executive Officer approved the program's request to admit a full-time class of 30 students commencing February 25, 2008, only, with an anticipated graduation date of February 27, 2009.

Effective February 13, 2008:

4. California Nurses Educational Institute, Inc. Psychiatric Technician Program – Request to Increase Frequency of Admissions (Director: Linda Hoffman – Cathedral City, Riverside County, Private)

The director of the California Nurses Educational Institute, Inc. Psychiatric Technician Program requests to admit 15 students into a full-time class starting on February 18, 2008, with a projected graduation date of June 6, 2009, thereby increasing frequency of admissions.

The Executive Officer approved the program's request to admit 15 students into a second full-time class beginning on February 18, 2008, with a projected graduation date of June 6, 2009, thereby increasing frequency of admissions.

5. Chaffey College Vocational Nursing Program – Request to Increase Frequency of Admissions; Request to Increase Program Length; Request for Curriculum Revision (Director: Shelley Eckvahl, Rancho Cucamonga, San Bernardino County, Community College)

The director of the Chaffey College Vocational Nursing Program requests Board approval to increase the frequency of class admissions. Specifically, the director requests approval to admit a class of 30 students each fall and winter semester. Currently the program is approved to admit 45 students each fall.

Additionally, the program requests a revision of its current curriculum to delete two (2) prerequisite courses (Acute Care Technician) and Basic Pharmacology. The proposed curriculum includes system-specific pharmacology integrated throughout the program. Content originally included in the Acute Care Technician courses has been incorporated throughout the program.

The program also requests approval to increase the length of the program to three (3) full semesters. Currently, the program includes two (2) semesters and a nine-week summer session.

The Executive Officer approved the program's request to admit a full-time class of 30 students each fall and winter semester, effective August 2008; approved the program's revised curriculum including a decrease in total hours from 1620 (648 theory; 972 clinical) to 1543 hours (579 theory hours; 964 clinical hours); and, approved the program's request to increase the length of the program from two (2) semesters and a nine (9) week summer session to three (3) semesters, effective August 2008.

6. College of Medical Arts, Torrance – Request to Begin a Vocational Nursing Program (Director: Adel Blanco, Torrance, Los Angeles County, Private)

The director of the college of Medical Arts, Torrance, submitted a request to begin a vocational nursing program with an initial full-time class of 30 students on February 19, 2008. The projected graduation date is January 30, 2009.

The Executive Officer approved the College of Medical Arts, Torrance, to begin a vocational nursing program with an initial full-time class of 30 students on February 19, 2008, only; and, approved the program's curriculum for 1590 hours, including 622 theory, and 968 clinical hours.

Effective February 27, 2008:

7. Healthcare College of California Vocational Nursing Program – Request to Admit a Class (Director: Milva Quial – Stockton, San Joaquin County, Private)

The director of the Healthcare College of California Vocational Nursing Program requested Board approval to admit a full-time class of 40 students on June 14, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of March 31, 2009.

The Executive Officer approved the program's request to admit 40 students on June 14, 2008, only, with an anticipated graduation date of March 31, 2009.

8. Marian College, Van Nuys, Vocational Nursing Program – Report of Program Records Survey for Continued Accreditation (Director: Lynette Ferro, Panorama City, Los Angeles County- Private)

A Program Records Survey was completed by Marian College, Van Nuys, Vocational Nursing Program in December 2007. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. One violation was noted and subsequently corrected.

The Executive Officer approved continued full accreditation of the Marian College, Van Nuys, Vocational Nursing Program for a four-year period, from May 14, 2008 through May 13, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.

9. Medical Career College Vocational Nursing Program – Request to Admit a Class (Director: Marilyn Castillo – Fremont, Alameda County, Private)

The director of the Medical Career College Vocational Nursing Program requested Board approval to admit a full-time class of 30 students on March 17, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of May 8, 2009.

The Executive Officer approved the program's request to admit 30 students on March 17, 2008, only, with an anticipated graduation date of May 8, 2009.

10. Mt. San Antonio Psychiatric Technician Program – Report of Program Records Survey for Continued Accreditation (Director: John Gardner; Walnut, Los Angeles County, California; Community College)

A Program Records Survey was completed by Mt. San Antonio College Psychiatric Technician Program in December 2007. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Psychiatric Technician Rules and Regulations. One violation was noted and subsequently corrected.

The Executive Officer approved continued full accreditation of the Mt. San Antonio College Psychiatric Technician Program for a four-year period, from May 14, 2008 through May 13, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.

Effective March 4, 2008:

The Executive Officer considered program requests and took the following actions:

11. All American Career College Vocational Nursing Program – Report of Program Closure - (Director – Bonnie Jones, Santa Ana, Orange County, Private)

The director of the All American Career College Vocational Nursing Program notified the Board of closure of the vocational nursing program, effective February 22, 2008.

The Executive Officer ordered the All American Career College Vocational Nursing Program to be removed from the Board's list of *Accredited Vocational Nursing Schools*.

12. American College of Nursing, Limited Liability Company (LLC) Vocational Nursing Program - Report of Survey Visit for Initial Accreditation; and Request to Admit Students (Director: Laura Smith-McKenna, Concord, Contra Costa County, Private)

The American College of Nursing Vocational Nursing Program was inspected on January 15-16, 2008. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. No violations were noted.

Further, the director of the program requested Board approval to replace students graduating on May 19, 2008, with a full-time class of 45 students beginning on June 2, 2008, with a projected graduation date of May 30, 2009.

The Executive Officer approved initial full accreditation for the American College of Nursing LLC Vocational Nursing Program for the period from March 4, 2008 through March 3, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.

Additionally, the Executive Officer approved the American College of Nursing Vocational Nursing Program to admit a full-time class of 45 students to start on June 2, 2008, only, to replace students graduating on May 19, 2008.

13. American Scientific Institute Vocational Nursing Program – Program Closure (Director: Bonnie L. Jones, Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, Private)

On February 22, 2008, the American Scientific Institute, Inc. notified the Board that, effectively immediately, the school would no longer offer educational programs.

The Executive Officer ordered the American Scientific Institute Vocational Nursing Program to be removed from the Board's list of *Accredited Vocational Nursing Schools*.

14. Angeles College of Nursing Vocational Nursing Program – Request to Admit Classes; and Request for Ongoing Admissions (Director: Audrey O'Donnell – Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, Private)

The director of Angeles College of Nursing Vocational Nursing Program requested Board approval to admit two part-time classes of 15 students, the first class to start on April 15, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of August 22, 2009; and a second class to start on November 24, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of March 27, 2010.

The director also requested Board approval to admit three additional full-time classes of 15 students, the first class to start on May 12, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of May 28, 2009; a second class to start on August 11, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of August 14, 2009; and a third class to start on November 17, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of November 20, 2009.

In addition, the director of Angeles College of Nursing Vocational Nursing Program requested Board approval for ongoing admissions of four full-time classes of 15 students per year, and two part-time classes of 15 students per year, to replace graduating classes.

The Executive Officer approved the following requests:

1. Request to admit a part-time class of 15 students commencing April 15, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of August 22, 2009.
2. Request to admit a part-time class of 15 students commencing November 24, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of March 27, 2010.
3. Request to admit a full-time class of 15 students commencing May 12, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of May 28, 2009.
4. Request to admit a full-time class of 15 students commencing August 11, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of August 14, 2009.
5. Request to admit a full-time class of 15 students commencing November 17, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of November 20, 2009.
6. Request for ongoing admissions of four full-time classes of 15 students per year, to replace graduating classes; and two part-time classes of 15 students per year, to replace graduating classes.

15. Antelope Valley College Vocational Nursing Program – Report of Program Records Survey for Continued Accreditation (Karen Cowell – Lancaster, Los Angeles County, Community College)

A Program Records Survey was completed for the Antelope Valley College Vocational Nursing Program in December 2007. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. No violations were noted.

The Executive Officer approved continued full accreditation for the Antelope Valley College Vocational Nursing Program for the four-year period from May 13, 2008 through May 12, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.

16. City College of San Francisco Vocational Nursing Program – Report of Program Records Survey for Continued Accreditation (Director: Chita Torres, San Francisco, San Francisco County, Private)

A Program Records Survey was completed by the City College of San Francisco Vocational Nursing Program in January 2008. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. No violations were noted.

The Executive Officer approved continued full accreditation for the City College of San Francisco Vocational Nursing Program for the four-year period from May 13, 2008 through May 12, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.

17. **Clarita Career College Vocational Nursing Program – Report of Initial Accreditation Survey Visit; Request to Admit Students; and Request to Increase Frequency of Admissions** (Director: Nancylee Siwula, Canyon Country, Los Angeles County, Private)

The Clarita Career College Vocational Nursing Program was inspected January 31 – February 1, 2008. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. One (1) violation was identified. That violation has been corrected.

The initial class is scheduled to graduate March 29, 2008. The program requests Board approval to admit a replacement class of 30 students on April 7, 2008. Additionally, the program requests approval to admit a class of 30 students on July 21, 2008 and November 3, 2008.

The Executive Officer approved initial full accreditation for the Clarita Career College Vocational Nursing Program for the period from March 3, 2008 through March 2, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.

The Executive Officer also approved the following requests:

1. A full-time class of 30 students to commence April 7, 2008, graduating June 2009, only, to replace students graduating on March 29, 2008;
2. A full-time class of 30 students to commence July 21, 2008, only, graduating September 2009; and
3. A full-time class of 30 students to commence November 3, 2008, only, graduating January 2010.

18. **Four-D College, Colton, Vocational Nursing Program – Report of Program Records Survey for Continued Accreditation** (Director: Jean Stevenson - Colton, San Bernardino County, Private)

A Program Records Survey was completed for the Four-D College, Colton, Vocational Nursing Program in December 2007. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. No violations were noted.

The Executive Officer approved continued full accreditation for the Four-D College, Colton, Vocational Nursing Program for the four-year period from May 13, 2008 through May 12, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.

19. Joseph's School of Nursing - Request to Begin a Vocational Nursing Program (Director: Niki Joseph, Lancaster, Los Angeles County, Private)

The director of the Joseph's School of Nursing requests approval to begin a vocational nursing program with an initial class of 30 students on March 5, 2008. The projected graduation date is February 27, 2009.

The Executive Officer approved the Joseph's School of Nursing to begin a vocational nursing program with an initial class of 30 students on March 5, 2008, only, with a projected graduation date of February 27, 2009.

Additionally, the Executive Officer approved the program curriculum for 1568 hours, including 608 theory and 960 clinical hours.

20. Maric College, North County, Vocational Nursing Program – Report of Program Records Survey for Continued Accreditation; Request for Curriculum Revision (Director: Ann Welton, Vista, San Diego County, Private)

A Program Records Survey was completed by the Maric College, North County, Vocational Nursing Program. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. One (1) violation was noted. That violation has been corrected.

The Executive Officer approved continued full accreditation for the Maric College, North County, Vocational Nursing Program for a four-year period from February 20, 2008 through February 19, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.

Additionally, the Executive Officer approved the program's revised curriculum for 1608 hours (Theory – 654; Clinical 954).

21. North-West College, Pomona, Vocational Nursing Program – Request to Increase Frequency of Admissions; and Request to Increase Class Size; (Director: Georgene Tacke, Pomona, Los Angeles County, Private)

The director of the North-West College, Pomona, Vocational Nursing Program requested Board approval to admit 35 students into a third full-time class starting on April 15, 2008, with a graduation date of June 28, 2009, thereby increasing frequency of admissions, and increasing class size from 30 to 35 students.

The Executive Officer approved the North-West College, Pomona, Vocational Nursing Program's admission of 35 students into a full-time class on April 15, 2008, only, with a projected graduation of June 28, 2009, thereby increasing frequency of admissions and increasing the class size from 30 to 35 students.

22. Sacramento City College Vocational Nursing Program – Report of Program Records Survey for Continued Accreditation (Director: Dale Cohen, Sacramento, Sacramento County, Community College)

A Program Records Survey was completed by Sacramento City College Vocational Nursing Program in December 2007. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. No violations were noted.

The Executive Officer approved continued full accreditation for the Sacramento City College Vocational Nursing Program for the period May 13, 2008 through May 12, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.

23. State Center Community College District, Madera Center, Vocational Nursing Program – Report of Program Records Survey for Continued Accreditation (Director: Dee Chamberlain, Madera, Fresno County, Community College)

A Program Records Survey was completed for the State Center Community College District, Madera Center, Vocational Nursing Program in December 2007. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. No violations were noted.

The Executive Officer approved continued full accreditation for the State Center Community College District, Madera Center, Vocational Nursing Program for the four-year period from May 13, 2008 through May 12, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.

24. Tulare Adult School Vocational Nursing Program - Report of Survey Visit for Initial Accreditation; Request to Admit Students; Request to Increase Frequency of Admissions; and Request for Ongoing Admissions (Director: Sylvia Silva, Tulare, Tulare County, Adult School)

The Tulare Adult School Vocational Nursing Program was inspected on January 29-30, 2008. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. One violation was noted. That violation was corrected.

Further, the director of the Tulare Adult School Vocational Nursing Program requested Board approval to admit 20 students on May 12, 2008, into the part-time day program to replace students graduating on April 16, 2008. The projected graduation date is November 20, 2009.

Additionally, the director requested to admit 20 students into a part-time evening program starting on May 12, 2008, with a projected completion date of November 20, 2009.

The director also requests ongoing admissions.

The Executive Officer approved initial full accreditation for Tulare Adult School Vocational Nursing Program for the period from March 4, 2008 through March 3, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.

The Executive Officer also approved the following requests:

1. Request to admit a day-time class of 20 students to start on May 12, 2008, to replace students graduating on April 16, 2008.
2. Request to admit an additional evening class of 20 students to start on May 12, 2008, thereby increasing frequency of admissions.
3. Request for ongoing admissions to replace graduating classes, only, with the following stipulations:
 - a. No additional classes are added to the program's current pattern of admissions without prior Board approval. The program's current pattern of admissions includes one day and one evening class admission of 20 students every 18 months.
 - b. The director documents that adequate resources, i.e. faculty and facilities are available to support each admitted class of students.

Effective March 19, 2008:

The Executive Officer considered program requests and took the following actions:

25. **International College of Business and Technology, Vocational Nursing Program – Program Closure** - (Director–Joan Rowan, Calabasas, Los Angeles County, Private)

On March 3, 2008, the curriculum consultant for the International College of Business and Technology Vocational Nursing Program notified the Board of closure of the vocational nursing program, effective March 10, 2008.

The Executive Officer ordered the International College of Business and Technology Vocational Nursing Program to be removed from the Board's list of *Accredited Vocational Nursing Schools*.

26. **Institute of Medical Education, San Jose, Vocational Nursing Program – Request to Admit Students** (Director: Elaine Amo, San Jose, Santa Clara County, Private)

The Institute of Medical Education, San Jose, Vocational Nursing Program requests Board approval to admit an evening class of 60 students commencing March 24, 2008, graduating May 13, 2009.

The Executive Officer approved the Institute of Medical Education, San Jose, Vocational Nursing Program's request to admit a full-time evening class of 60 students commencing March 24, 2008, only, graduating May 13, 2009.

The Executive Officer also required that the program present a follow-up report June 1, 2008, relative to the effectiveness of its Remediation Policy and program pass rates on the licensure examination.

27. Integrity College of Health –Report of Initial Accreditation Survey Visit; Request to Admit Students and Request to Increase Frequency of Admissions (Director: Marion Bea Martin, Alta Dena, Los Angeles County, Private)

The Integrity College of Health Vocational Nursing Program was inspected on January 30 and 31, 2008. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. Four violations were noted. Those violations were corrected.

Furthermore, the director of the Integrity College of Health Vocational Nursing Program requested Board approval to replace students graduating on July 12, 2008, with a full-time class of 30 students on July 27, 2008. That class will graduate September 19, 2009. The director also requested to admit an additional part-time class of 30 students on March 30, 2008, thereby increasing frequency of admissions. That class will graduate May 23, 2009.

The Executive Officer approved initial full accreditation for Integrity College of Health Vocational Nursing Program for the period from March 19, 2008, through March 18, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.

The Executive Officer also approved the following requests:

1. Request to admit a full-time class of 30 students to start on July 27, 2008, only, to replace students graduating on July 12, 2008.
2. Request to admit a full-time class of 30 students to start on March 30, 2008, only, thereby increasing the program's frequency of admissions.

28. Pasadena City College Vocational Nursing Program – Report of Program Records Survey for Continued Accreditation (Director: Charles Morrison – Pasadena, Los Angeles County, Community College)

A Program Records Survey was completed by Pasadena City College Vocational Nursing Program in December 2007. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. No violations were noted.

The Executive Officer approved continued full accreditation for the Pasadena City College Vocational Nursing Program for the four-year period from May 14, 2008 through May 13, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.

29. **Western Career College, San Leandro, Vocational Nursing Program – Report of Program Records Survey for Continued Accreditation** (Director: Jacalynn Blankenship, San Leandro, Alameda County, Private)

A Program Records Survey was completed for the Western Career College, San Leandro, Vocational Nursing Program in January 2008. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. No violations were noted.

The Executive Officer approved continued full accreditation for the Western Career College, San Leandro, Vocational Nursing Program for the period May 13, 2008 through May 12, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.

Effective March 20, 2008:

The Executive Officer considered the following program request and took the following actions:

30. **Western Career College, Antioch, Vocational Nursing Program –Request to Increase Frequency of Admissions; and Request for Ongoing Admissions** (Director: Yvette Ross, Antioch, Contra Costa County, Private)

The director of the Western Career College, Antioch, Vocational Nursing Program requested Board approval to admit an additional class of 32 students on April 1, 2008, thereby increasing frequency of admissions. That class will graduate on May 22, 2009.

Additionally, the director requested admission of an additional class of 32 students on June 23, 2008. That class will graduate on October 2, 2009.

Finally, the director requested ongoing admission of three classes per year with the start date of replacement classes occurring 24 calendar days after the end date of the previous class.

The Executive Officer approved the following:

1. The program's request to admit an additional class of 32 students on April 1, 2008.
2. The program's request to admit an additional class of 32 students on June 23, 2008.
3. Ongoing admissions to replace graduating classes, only, for the Western Career College, Antioch, Vocational Nursing Program with the following stipulations:

- a. No additional classes are added to the program's current pattern of admissions without prior Board approval. The program's current pattern of admissions includes three class admissions per year with the start date of replacement classes occurring 24 calendar days after the end date of the previous class.
- b. The director documents that adequate resources, i.e. faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students.

Effective April 10, 2008:

The Executive Officer considered program requests and took the following actions:

- 31. Advanced Pro Nursing Institute Vocational Nursing Program – Request to Increase Frequency of Admissions; and Request to Increase Class Size**
(Director: Linda Pousson – Hayward, Alameda County, Private)

The director of the Advanced Pro Nursing Institute Vocational Nursing Program requested Board approval to admit a full-time class of 30 students on April 22, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of July 25, 2009.

The Executive Officer approved the Advanced Pro Nursing Institute Vocational Nursing Program's request to admit 30 students on April 22, 2008, only, with an anticipated graduation date of July 25, 2009.

- 32. Anderson Medical Career College, City of Commerce - Request to Begin a Vocational Nursing Program** (Director: Jocylane Dinsay, City of Commerce, Los Angeles County, Private)

Anderson Medical Career College requests approval to begin a vocational nursing program with an initial class of 45 students on April 26, 2008. The projected graduation date is April 24, 2010.

The Executive Officer approved Anderson Medical Career College to begin a vocational nursing program with an initial class of 45 students on April 26, 2008, only, with a projected graduation date of April 24, 2010; and approved the program curriculum for 1545.5 hours, including 585.5 theory and 960 clinical hours.

- 33. Annenberg School of Nursing – Report of Initial Accreditation Survey Visit and Request to Admit Students** (Director: Marie Fagan, Reseda, Los Angeles County, Private)

The Annenberg School of Nursing Vocational Nursing Program was inspected on March 10 and 11, 2008. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. One violation was noted and subsequently corrected.

Furthermore, the director of the Annenberg School of Nursing Vocational Nursing Program requested Board approval to replace students graduating on June 27, 2008, with a full-time class of 24 students on September 15, 2008.

The Executive Officer approved initial full accreditation for Annenberg School of Nursing Vocational Nursing Program for the period from April 10, 2008 through April 9, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly; and approved the program to admit a full-time class of 24 students to start on September 15, 2008, only, to replace students graduating on June 27, 2008.

34. California Nurses Educational Institute, Inc. Vocational Nursing Program – Request to Increase Frequency of Admissions (Director: Linda Hoffman, Cathedral City, Riverside County, Private)

The director of the California Nurses Educational Institute, Inc. Vocational Nursing Program requests to admit 30 students into a full-time class starting on April 14, 2008, with a projected graduation date of August 1, 2009.

The Executive Officer approved the program's request to admit 30 students into a full-time class starting on April 14, 2008, with a projected completion date of August 1, 2009.

35. Career Care Institute, Ventura, Vocational Nursing Program – Request to Admit Students; and Request for Ongoing Admissions (Director: Mary Pappas - Ventura, Los Angeles County, Private)

The director of the Career Care Institute, Ventura, Vocational Nursing Program requested Board approval to admit a full-time class of 50 students on May 12, 2008, replacing the class graduating May 4, 2008. Additionally, the director requested ongoing admissions to replace graduating classes.

The Executive Officer approved program's request to admit a full-time class of 50 students, on May 12, 2008, only, replacing the class graduating May 4, 2008; and approved ongoing admissions to replace graduating classes, only, for the Career Care Institute, Ventura, Vocational Nursing Program with the following stipulations:

- a. No additional classes are added to the program's current pattern of admissions without prior Board approval. The program's current pattern of admissions includes admission of two full-time classes that are each 16 months long. These classes start approximately five months apart. Each of these classes will be replaced at the time of graduation. In this pattern of ongoing admissions, there will be no more than two classes running concurrently and no more than 50 students enrolled in each class at any given time.
- b. The director documents that adequate resources, i.e. faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students.

36. Central Nursing College Vocational Nursing Program – Request to Increase Frequency of Admissions (Director: Susan Wood – Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, Private)

The director of the Central Nursing College Vocational Nursing Program requested Board approval to admit a full-time class of 30 students on June 16, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of June 19, 2009.

The director also requested Board approval to admit a part-time class of 15 students on June 16, 2008, with an anticipated graduation date of September 19, 2009.

The Executive Officer approved the program's request to admit a full-time class of 30 students commencing June 16, 2008, only, with an anticipated graduation date of June 19, 2009; and approved the program's request to admit a part-time class of 30 students commencing June 16, 2008, only, with an anticipated graduation date of September 19, 2009.

37. Community Based Education and Development Vocational Nursing Program – Request to Increase Frequency of Admissions (Director: Carol DeLilly, Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, Private)

The director of the Community Based Education and Development Vocational Nursing Program requests to admit 10 students into a full-time class starting on May 5, 2008, with a projected graduation date of August 18, 2009, thereby increasing frequency of admissions. This vocational nursing class of ten students is the first class offering an Associate Degree in Vocational Nursing and will require additional general education courses separate from the vocational nursing program requirements such as English, Mathematics, Biology, Sociology, and Chemistry. The Vocational Nursing Associate Degree program has been approved by the Accreditation Council of Continuing Education and Training (ACCET). The core vocational nursing program curriculum and hours remain unchanged.

The Executive Officer approved the program's request to admit 10 students into a full-time class beginning on May 5, 2008, with a projected graduation date of August 18, 2009, thereby increasing frequency of admissions.

38. Everest College, Alhambra – Request to Admit Students (Director: Joseph Morris – Alhambra, Los Angeles County; Private)

The director of the Everest College, Alhambra, Vocational Nursing Program requested Board approval to replace students graduating on April 18, 2008, with a full-time class of 40 students on April 28, 2008.

The Executive Officer approved the program's request to replace students graduating on April 18, 2008, with a full-time class of 40 students on April 28, 2008.

39. **Shasta College Vocational Nursing Program – Report of Program Records Survey for Continued Accreditation** (Director: Wanda Spratt, Redding, Shasta County, Community College)

A Program Records Survey was completed by Shasta College Vocational Nursing Program in February 2008. The program was reviewed to determine compliance with Article 5 of the Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations. No violations were noted.

The Executive Officer approved continued full accreditation for the Shasta College Vocational Nursing Program for the period May 13, 2008 through May 12, 2012, and the Board will issue a certificate accordingly.